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SMITH NAMED MISS SHELTON STATE

*Will Represent
College at Miss
Alabama Pageant*

Shelton State sophomore Jessica Smith was recently named Miss Shelton State 2000 and will compete for the title of Miss Alabama in June in Birmingham.

The winner of the Miss Alabama Pageant will represent the college in the Miss America Pageant in August. Judging in the pageant is based on interview, talent, swimsuit and evening wear.

Miss Smith is from Pickens County and is the daughter of Jerry Smith. She has a double major in telecommunications /film and theater. While at Shelton, Miss Smith has appeared in many college and Theatre Tuscaloosa productions.

ADECA TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT AT SHELTON STATE

Former state senator Dewayne Freeman, director of Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, will hold a press conference at the C.A. Fredd Campus Friday, February 4, at 10:30 a.m.

Freeman will announce during the press conference that Shelton State Community College has received over \$1.3 million in heavy equipment through a new grant from ADECA. The equipment will be used to train students in the college's heavy equipment operator program. The heavy equipment in the grant consists of bull dozers, front end loaders, back hoes, two motor graders and a crane. During the press conference Freeman will also announce another ADECA grant for the college.

"We appreciate the help ADECA has given us," said Shelton President Tom Umphrey. "Last year representatives from the construction industry in the state approached the college about the growing need for trained heavy equipment operators. This is currently a shortage of skilled heavy equipment operators in our state. ADECA supported our efforts in getting this

heavy equipment operator program started. When the program became viable, the college became eligible to apply for the next step, the heavy equipment needed for the program. None of this would have been possible without the assistance of ADECA."

SHELTON BASEBALL BOOSTER CLUB SPONSORS

DIAMOND DINNER

New Fund Raising Project

Through support from the West Alabama area, Shelton State Community College's new baseball park will be a reality this spring, according to head coach Bobby Sprowl. A goal of \$750,000 was established earlier, and to date, \$300,000 has been raised through private contributions.

On Friday, February 4, the college will host a Diamond Dinner at Shelton's new Martin Campus to raise money for equipment for the new complex. The dinner will begin at 7 p.m., according to Sprowl, and tickets are \$50 per person. The Shelton State Baseball Booster Club is sponsoring the event.

The speaker for the dinner is Bobby Skelton, Commissioner of the Alabama Community College Conference and an

official with the National Football League. Skelton played football at the University of Alabama and currently lives in Montgomery, Alabama.

Preliminary work has already begun on the field and college officials expect construction to be completed this spring. The new baseball complex will include the field, dugouts, parking areas, bleachers, and concession stands.

"Since Shelton's baseball program began in 1985, the team has played all home games at the Veterans Administration Hospital field through a cooperative arrangement," Sprowl said. "However, with the college's move to the new campus, there has been an effort to bring the baseball program to the new facility."

To purchase a ticket to the Diamond Dinner, call Sprowl at (205) 391-2206 or the Booster Club project director, Mike Fields, (205) 759-3283.

SHELTON ANNOUNCES SPRING COURSES FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Shelton State Community College's Business Development Institute recently began its spring program. Divided into two five-week segments, the Institute is entitled "CEU 291-50 Be successful in Business...& Fulfill Your Dreams, Phase I" and "CEU 391-50 Be Successful in Business & fulfill Your

Dreams, Phase II." Phase I began in January and Phase II will start April 6 and conclude May 4.

Larry Mund is the instructor for the program. Both classes are offered in room 2834 on the Martin Campus and last from 6 - 8 p.m. The cost is \$99 for each course. For additional information, contact the Division of Continuing Education, (205) 391-2386.

International Student Receives Scholarship

Shelton State international student Negda Leon was recently awarded a \$250 scholarship from the Tuscaloosa International Friends, a local non profit organization dedicated to promoting international friendship. Leon is enrolled in Shelton's nursing program and will graduate with a 3.6 grade point average.

FACES 'N PLACES

* Don't forget. *Man of La Mancha* opens at the Bean-Brown Theatre February 25 and continues through March 5. Tickets are \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and \$8 students and may be purchased by call the Theatre Tuscaloosa box office, 391-2277. Theatre Tuscaloosa offers a bargain with a three-day package for \$60 that includes two tickets to *Man of la Mancha*, *Moon over Buffalo*,

and *State Fair*.

***Kim Kirkland-Lien** will present an exhibit, "A Gathering of Angels," March 1 - April 7 in the National Bank of Commerce Art Gallery.

*Former Shelton student **Ann Overton** has been promoted to controller for Gulf States Paper Corporation's Natural Resources Division. Ann holds an associate degree in business administration from Shelton and a B.S. degree from the University of Alabama. She is married to Robert Overton and is a member of Chapel Hill Baptist Church

***Don't miss Terrific Tuesdays Concerts.** The Choral Ensemble from the University of Montevallo will be at Shelton on February 1 and the Jazz Combo from the University of Alabama will perform on February 8. Both concerts are free and will be at 1 p.m. in the recital hall.

***Shirley Johnson** continues to present workshops on cultural diversity issues. The latest one was in December at Stillman College, a multicultural issues workshop for Stillman College Student Support Services.

* The Shelton Singers will present "Singing Valentines" on Valentine's Day as a fund raiser. If you are interested in a singing Valentine for your sweetheart, contact Glinda Blackshear, Ext. 2344.

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